

News Release

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SUBJECT: Steve Hawley, former WITN-7 Weatherman, Appointed Public Information Officer for the City of Greenville

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Former WITN-7 Weatherman Steve Hawley has been tapped to become the City of Greenville's new Public Information Officer.

The Public Information Officer is entrusted with significant responsibilities in news media and citizen communications to develop better understanding and broader citizen participation in City government. Hawley brings a wealth of experience in the media having worked eleven years in radio and television news.

City Manager Wayne Bowers says, "Steve impressed all the members of the interview panel with his communication skills and technical knowledge."

"I'm so impressed with the vision the Council and the City Manager's office has for Greenville's future. I am excited about the possibilities the future holds for us all and believe that serving the citizens of Greenville will be a rewarding challenge," says Hawley.

Since leaving WITN, Hawley has been running the video production studio for Onslow County Schools, working with at-risk students, and serving the Federal Projects Division's communications needs. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland's College of Journalism and holds a Certificate of Broadcast Meteorology from Mississippi State University.

Mr. Bowers says, "I look forward to Steve becoming a member of the City's management team and a leader in assisting with our citizen communication efforts. His familiarity with Greenville will be a great asset to the City."

"When I was working in Greenville a few years ago, I loved it," says Hawley. "The people here are fabulous and there is so much going on. I can't wait to come back and help the people of Greenville. After working in Greenville for 3 years, it's exciting to come back, and actually, it kind of feels like I'm coming home."

Steve Hawley begins work for the City on Monday, May 2nd.

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